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Applicant:

Frank Winkens et al.

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Attorney's docket No.: MSA266T2

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. BOX 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

SIR:

Transmitted herewith for filing is:

<X> AMENDMENT dated July 3, 2008

<X> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 or any additional fees which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Acct. No.11-0224. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. If and only if(r) account funds should be insufficient, immediately contact our associate, Lisa Zumwalt, at (703)415-0579, who will pay immediately to avoid deprivation of rights.

< Please charge my Deposit Account No.11-0224 in the amount of \$______. A</p> duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

A signature or signatures required for the above recited document(s) is (are) provided herebelow. Such signature(s) also provide(s) ratification for any required signature appearing to be defective in the above recited document(s).

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 SIR:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on April 4, 2008 and setting a shortened statutory period for response of three months to expire on July 4, 2008. Applicants petition that, if required, the time for response be extended and the corresponding fee be charged. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Acct. No. 11-0224. Applicants further respectfully request that this response be accepted as a bona fide effort to meet any potential response requirements outstanding and due in the above captioned matter.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS: